	Application No.	**Applicant(s)**
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	Examiner	**Art Unit**	
	Rachna Singh	2176	

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to *BPAI Decision rendered on 12/29/06*.

2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are *3-9,12,14 and 16*.

3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

    a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some*   c) ☐ None of the:

        1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

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        3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

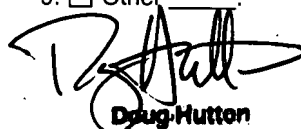   * Certified copies not received: _____ .

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.

5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.

    (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached

        1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

    (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____

4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application

6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. ☐ Other _____ .

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Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes

and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided

by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be

submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview

with Joan Pennington on 04/23/07.

The application has been amended as follows:

1.   (Cancelled)

2.   (Cancelled)

3.   (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method for identifying hypertext

links in document printouts ~~as recited in claim 2 includes~~ comprising the steps of:

        scanning a document to be printed and identifying local hypertext links within the

document,

        computing and storing a page location of each identified local hypertext link

within the document,

_____ sequentially checking printable objects to identify each printable object within a hypertext anchor tag; and

_____ rendering each identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag with a predefined indication of the hypertext link including printing a corresponding uniform resource locator (URL) for each external hypertext link and checking whether each said identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag is a local hypertext link;

~~responsive to identifying said local hypertext link,~~ printing said identified page number for said local hypertext link with said printable object in response to identifying said local hypertext link.

4.   (Previously presented) The computer implemented method for identifying hypertext links in document printouts as recited in claim 3 wherein the step of printing said identified page number for said local hypertext link with said printable object includes the step of printing said identified page number in superscript form.

5.   (Previously presented) The computer implemented method for identifying hypertext links in document printouts as recited in claim 3 wherein the step of printing said identified page number for said local hypertext link with said printable object includes the step of printing said identified page number in bold form.

6.   (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method for identifying hypertext links in document printouts as recited in claim ~~4~~ 3 wherein the step of rendering each

identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag with said predefined

indication of the hypertext link including printing said corresponding uniform resource

locator (URL) for each said external hypertext link includes the steps of checking

whether each said identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag is an

external hypertext link.

7.   (Currently Amended) ~~The computer implemented method for identifying hypertext~~

~~links in document printouts as recited in claim 6~~ A computer implemented method for

identifying hypertext links in document printouts comprising the steps of:

_____ scanning a document to be printed and identifying local hypertext links within the

document,

_____ computing and storing a page location of each identified local hypertext link

within the document,

_____ sequentially checking printable objects to identify each printable object within a

hypertext anchor tag; and

rendering each identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag with a

predefined indication of the hypertext link including printing a corresponding uniform

resource locator (URL) for each external hypertext link and checking whether each said

identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag is an external hypertext link;

wherein the step of printing said uniform resource locator (URL) for external

hypertext link is responsive to identifying said external hypertext link, and includes the

steps of printing said uniform resource locator (URL) for said external hypertext link in a

footnote for said printable object.

8.   (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method for identifying hypertext

links in document printouts as recited in claim ~~1~~ 3 wherein the step of printing said

uniform resource locator (URL) for said external hypertext link includes the step of

printing said uniform resource locator (URL) in superscript form.

9.   (Currently Amended) The computer implemented method for identifying hypertext

links in document printouts as recited in claim ~~1~~ 3 wherein the step of printing said

uniform resource locator (URL) for said external hypertext link includes the step of

printing said uniform resource locator (URL) in bold form.

10.   (Cancelled).

11.   (Cancelled)

12.   (Currently Amended) Apparatus for identifying hypertext links in document

printouts ~~as recited in claim 10~~ comprising:

        a stored document data, said document data including each local hypertext link

name and a page number for each said local hypertext link name; and

_____ a printing program utilizing said stored document data for printing a document including a predefined indication of each hypertext link within the document to be printed including a corresponding uniform resource locator (URL) printed for each external hypertext link;

wherein said predefined indication of each hypertext link within the document to be printed includes a corresponding page number printed for each local hypertext link.

13.   (Cancelled)

14.   (Currently Amended) A computer program product for implementing document printing including identification of hypertext links as recited in claim 13 comprising:

a recording medium;

_____ means, recorded on the recording medium, for sequentially checking printable objects to identify each printable object within a hypertext anchor tag; and

_____ means, recorded on the recording medium, for rendering each identified printable object within said hypertext anchor tag with a predefined indication of the hypertext link including means, recorded on the recording medium, for printing a corresponding uniform resource locator (URL) for each external hypertext link;

means, recorded on the recording medium, for scanning a document to be printed and for identifying local hypertext links within the document, and means, recorded on the recording medium, for computing and storing a page location of each identified local hypertext link within the document.

15.   (Cancelled)

16.   (Original)   A computer program product for implementing document printing

including identification of hypertext links as recited in claim 14 wherein said means,

recorded on the recording medium, for rendering each identified printable object within

said hypertext anchor tag with a predefined indication of the hypertext link includes

means, recorded on the recording medium, for printing said page number for each local

hypertext link.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Rachna Singh whose telephone number is 571-272-

4099. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:30AM-6:00PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Heather Herndon can be reached on 571-272-4136. The fax phone number

for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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